

The Gospel of Luke

An illustration of a scene from the Bible, likely the Parable of the Prodigal Son. Jesus, with long brown hair and a beard, wearing a white robe with a yellow sash, sits at a table covered with a blue cloth. He is washing the feet of a woman who is prostrate on the floor, wearing a green and white striped robe. The woman has her head buried in Jesus' feet. Other men are seated around the table, some looking on. The setting is a rustic room with stone walls, a wooden door, and various pottery items on shelves. A small oil lamp is lit on the wall.

”Forgiveness
& Love”

Reading again through all of Luke 7

In light of our discussions last week, did anything stand out “fresh” as you re-read the text?

Create a Title for Luke 7

“His miracles and teaching indicate the wisdom of following Jesus.”

- *After healing the Centurion's servant, to whom did Jesus address His teaching?*
- *After raising the widow of Nain's son, who are the primary responders?*
- *After the disciples of John leave Jesus, to whom does He turn in His teaching?*
- *What conclusions do you draw from these observations?*

Carry-over from Last Week's Class:

*Did John the Baptizer really
question who Jesus was?*

Doubt vs. Unbelief

Luke 7:22-23 – Response to John

- *Can you summarize Jesus' answer to John's inquiry?*

Luke 7:24-35 – Response about John

- *Can you summarize Jesus' answer to John's inquiry?*
- *As Jesus spoke to the crowds about John the Baptizer, what point was He making?*

Luke 7:24-35 – Jesus, about John

Vs. 24-28 – “You have never seen anyone like John. He is the greatest and last OT Prophet. He has introduced the advent of the promised Messiah and those who follow Me will be even greater in the Kingdom of God.

Luke 7:29-35 – Jesus to the Crowd

- *Luke, seems to make a break in what Jesus was saying to the crowd (vs. 29-30).*
- *Based upon the context, why did he insert these two verses?*

Luke 7:29-35 – Jesus to the Crowd

- *In vs. 31-35, Jesus is no longer talking about John the Baptist. Whom is He addressing?*
- *What is the point He is making?*
- *What is the meaning of v. 35 in this context?*

Luke 7:29-35 – Jesus to the Crowd

*Make your ear attentive to wisdom,
incline your heart to understanding;
for if you cry for discernment, lift
your voice for understanding; if you
seek her as silver and search for her
as for hidden treasures...*

Luke 7:29-35 – Jesus to the Crowd

then you will discern the fear of the LORD and discover the knowledge of God. For the LORD gives wisdom; from His mouth come knowledge and understanding. He stores up sound wisdom for the upright...

(Proverbs 2:2-7)

Luke 7:29-35 – Jesus to the Crowd

How blessed is the man who finds wisdom and the man who gains understanding. For her profit is better than the profit of silver and her gain better than fine gold. She is more precious than jewels...

Luke 7:29-35 – Jesus to the Crowd

and nothing you desire compares with her. Long life is in her right hand; In her left hand are riches and honor. Her ways are pleasant ways and all her paths are peace.

(Proverbs 3:13-17)

Luke 7:36-50 – In Simon's House

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- *Luke makes a shift in both time and place in v. 36. (Only in Luke's Gospel)*
- *The contrast described here is the same as has been defined since 6:20?*
- *What is that contrast and whom was Luke addressing with it?*

Luke 7:36-50 – In Simon's House

- *Can you imagine what Simon's motivation was in inviting Jesus to his house for a meal?*
- *After Jesus presented him with the parable of the two debtors, what was his response?*

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